HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 402 By West

A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize Lawrence Small, 2003 Valedictorian of McGavock High School.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those students who through their natural talents and unflagging commitment to academic excellence have distinguished themselves in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, Lawrence Small is one such exceptional student who was recently named Valedictorian of the 2003 graduating class at McGavock High School; and

WHEREAS, through diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and steadfast commitment of time and talent, Mr. Small has achieved outstanding academic success, and has joined the ranks of the best and brightest students in Tennessee and our country; and

WHEREAS, in his remarkable high school career, Lawrence Small has earned an exemplary grade point average; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Small has competed and lettered in both the Junior Varsity and Varsity Scholastic Bowls, has participated in the Ohio Test of Scholastic Aptitude, finishing in the top five in the State of Ohio in Physical Science and Biology, has participated in the state science fair, and has attended the American Legion Boys State; and

WHEREAS, a talented athlete and musician, Lawrence Small played soccer and ran track, even while maintaining his active participation in various band activities; he has been a valuable member of the Pep Band, Marching Band, Concert Band, and Jazz Band and has participated in numerous Solo and Ensemble festivals; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Small is a caring and compassionate citizen; he has served as a volunteer at Joint Township District Memorial Hospital in St. Mary's, Ohio, at Summit Medical Center in Hermitage, and at the Wilson County Humane Association; and

WHEREAS, Lawrence Small's display of intellectual aptitude and ambition surely bodes well for his future success; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Small's noteworthy achievement is a tremendous source of pride for his parents, his school, and his community; and

WHEREAS, Lawrence Small's dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we hereby commend and honor 2003 McGavock High School Valedictorian, Lawrence Small, on his impressive academic achievement, and extend to him our best wishes for a happy, successful future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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